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energy-saving tips that
save you money too!

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

HEAP can help eligible residents heat and cool their homes. Contact HEAP or visit: <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

- Delaware County: (607) 832-5300
- Madison County: (315) 366-2211
- Orange County: (845) 291-2002
- Otsego County: (607) 547-1622
- Sullivan County: (845) 807-0142
- Ulster County: (845) 334-5436



Sincerely,

 Assemblyman Brian Maher

Dear Neighbors,

As the days get shorter and nights get colder, I want to make sure you and your family have the proper resources to stay warm this winter. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me — I'd love to hear from you! Contact me at 845-379-5001 or maherb@nyassembly.gov.





save energy and save money too!

We are all feeling the burden of high energy and gas prices this year. As we enter the winter season it can be difficult to afford home heating, especially if your appliances are out of date or you own an older home. Here are some programs and energy saving tips to help property owners get through the cold months.

for everyone:

- As the holiday season approaches, decorative lighting is everywhere; consider setting those lights on a timer or unplugging them overnight
- To keep cold air out and warm air in, use door bottoms, thresholds, or door shoes that seal gaps beneath exterior doors
- Keep drapes open during the warmer days of the season and during daylight hours for that natural heat

for renters:

- Consider less energy usage for lower energy bills, i.e., unplug devices when not in use
- When sleeping, if you have a thermostat, lower the temperature by seven to ten degrees
- Ask your landlord about caulking and weatherstripping around your windows and doors to reduce heat loss

for homeowners:

- Consider installing low-water-use fixtures in your sinks and showers
- If you have an attic, make sure the vents are not blocked so air can flow through freely to minimize the use of an attic vent fan

- When getting your boiler serviced, which may be a yearly event, ask for a combustion analysis, a report that will tell you how efficiently it is operating
- The **Heating Equipment Repair and Replacement** benefit assists eligible homeowners with repairing or replacing a furnace, boiler, or other direct heating equipment. Visit <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/#repair-benefit> to apply or call your local HEAP contact.
- The Department of Housing and Community Renewal offers the **Weatherization Assistance Program**. Services and repairs covered by this program include window and/or outside door repair or replacement, sealing of cracks and holes to reduce heat loss, and heating system repairs or replacement. Visit <https://hcr.ny.gov/weatherization-applicants> to find a local service provider.
- For particular issues like insulation, this survey assists with choosing amongst incentives ranging from \$1,000-\$4,000: <https://www.nyscrda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Comfort-Home-Program>

There are several ways to make your home or apartment more efficient. For those who would like to learn more, feel free to visit nyscrda.ny.gov/Residents-and-Homeowners to read more tips and tricks.

For more information on this or any other state issues, contact Assemblyman Brian Maher at:

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